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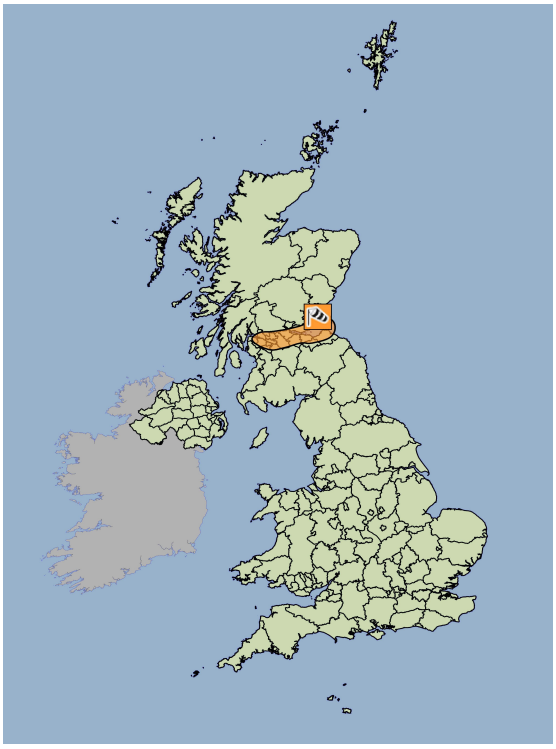

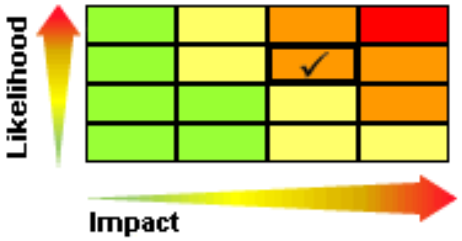

Chief Forecasters Assessment
The depression crossing northern Scotland on Thursday night will bring a swathe of very strong winds through the Central Belt of Scotland during Friday morning, with bands of squally showers increasing the potential for some very strong gusts, possibly reaching 80 mph in places. Winds should start to ease during Friday morning, but may still remain potentially disruptive into the rush hour.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Warning** of **Wind**

Valid from **00:05 on Fri, 09th Jan 2015** until **08:00 on Fri, 09th Jan 2015**

A vigorous depression is expected to run rapidly east passing northern Scotland on Thursday night and Friday morning. Winds will begin to increase late on Thursday to give a period of very strong westerly winds through the Forth-Clyde valley, with gusts 60-70 mph quite widely, and isolated gusts to 80 mph. Winds should quickly ease from the west during the morning.

The public should be prepared for the potential for disruption to transport, and are advised to check latest forecasts before travelling. Power supplies may also be affected and there is the possibility of structural damage.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

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